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 Filed: August 29, 2003  
 Art Unit: 1636  
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the following for filing in connection with the above-referenced application:

1. An Amendment Transmittal Letter (1 p.);
2. A Petition For Two-Month Extension of Time Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.126(a) with authorization to Charge Deposit Account No. 18-0582 (2 pp.); and
3. An Amendment After Final Office Action (27 pp.).

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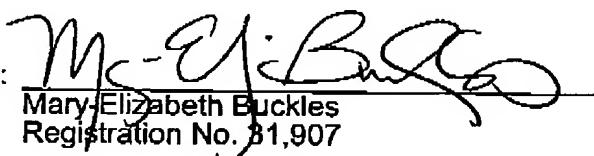
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Invention Title

## CELLS ENGINEERED TO CONTAIN GENES OF INTEREST

## TO THE DIRECTOR - U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Transmitted herewith is an amendment accompanying a Request for Continued Examination in the above-identified application.

- Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted
- A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 is enclosed.
- No additional claim fee is required.
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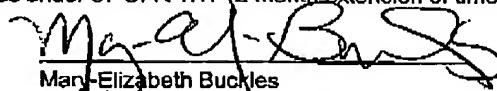
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